

READY TO LIFT EXPOSITION CURTAIN

Hunter Blames County Officers for Herrin Riots

FAILURE TO ASK TROOPS WAS FATAL

Medill Tells Small Sending Guardsmen Now Is Mistake.

Waukegan, Ill., June 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—Governor Len Small at noon today received a telegram from Colonel Samuel N. Hunter, representative of the adjutant-general at Herrin, placing the blame for the rioting which led to the massacre of more than 25 non-union workers on the shoulders of the Williamson county officials.

Colonel Hunter, who was sent to Herrin a week ago to report to the governor and Adjutant General Black on the situation, told the governor in today's message that he at no time thought the Williamson county authorities could handle the situation and that they should have asked for troops before the rioting started.

The governor also received a message from Sheriff Melvin Thaxton of Williamson county, saying that efforts would be made to apprehend the slayers, but that no arrests have been made.

Fears Trouble.

Herrin, Ill., June 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—A recommendation that orders for mobilization of Illinois troops at various points for possible duty here be cancelled at once, was telegraphed to Governor Small by Robert Medill, state director of mines and minerals, who is here officially investigating the mine massacre. Mr. Medill said he feared the mistake "and might cause trouble."

Chicago, June 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—Mobilization of the 132nd infantry of the Illinois National guard, ordered by Governor Small in a midnight message from Waukegan to hold itself in readiness for duty in the southern Illinois mining region, began early today.

Governor Small's mobilization order was relayed to Adjutant General Charles E. Black, at Springfield, to Colonel William E. Swanwick, commander of the 132nd infantry, who set in motion the machinery for assembling troops.

Arms Distributed. Battalion commanders and company captains passed the order on to their top sergeants, who in turn called on each corporal to summon the eight men in his squad.

Arms and equipment were distributed to the gathering guardsmen at the armory.

The governor's order included a

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SEEKS LAW TO END LABOR WARS

Rep. Arnold Wants Special Session to Enact Illinois Court Law For Illinois.

Quincy, Ill., June 23.—Aroused by the flagrant disorders in Williamson county, Representative A. Otis Arnold, of this district, will write a letter to Governor Len Small today asking for a special session of the legislature to enact an industrial court law, modeled on the terms of the Kansas act and to prevent future conflicts between labor and capital.

Representative Arnold was one of the Republican leaders in the last legislature and has been re-nominated.

MINERS' UNION IS NOT LAWLESS, LEWIS DECLARES

Cincinnati, Ohio, June 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—John L. Lewis, in a statement here today, declared "the United Mine Workers of America is not to any degree responsible for the unfortunate occurrences at Herrin, Ill." He said the organization of which he is president never encouraged or condoned lawlessness.

Shirley influences, he declared, had been at work among the miners to incite and inflame the spirit of violence. Coal companies, he asserted, had employed "thousands of detectives" to work among striking miners.



SAMUEL GOMPERS.

Cincinnati, Ohio, June 23.—President Samuel Gompers of the American Federation of Labor was re-elected without opposition today at the federation's annual convention. It was his 41st election to the office.

Frank Morrison of Washington was elected secretary. He has been secretary for 25 years.

Portland, Ore., was chosen as the seat of the next convention, which will be held in October, 1923.

FLAYS 'FORCES OF GREED' FOR HERRIN HORROR

John Walker Blames Profiteers For Mine War.

Springfield, Ill., June 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—President John H. Walker of the Illinois Federation of Labor, issued a statement here this morning, blaming the "forces of greed that profited so shamelessly during the war" for the mine rioting at Herrin.

"What has happened in Herrin, Illinois," Mr. Walker's statement said, "is deplorable. Every sincere, honest trade unionist regrets it. Organized labor is against the use of physical force in the adjustment of its disputes between working men and employers."

"However, it is those forces of greed that profited so shamelessly during the war and who are at the present time so brutally and mercilessly trying to crush labor, so they may exploit them as serfs, particularly those courts and the elements they represent in industry and other walks of life, who have usurped the functions of the American government and are using the powers they have arbitrarily taken to deprive the workers of their rights as American citizens, and who have arrayed themselves on the side of the operators, that have created the feeling of suspicion, distrust, bitterness and hatred that is responsible for acts of this character."

"They are the real criminals, and every honest American who loves peace and our form of government, that reveres the memory of those who died to found it, who honestly want to maintain and uphold it and to improve upon it, is very much concerned for the future, unless these forces are curbed."

TORNADO KILLS 1 IN MANITOBA

Winnipeg, Manitoba, June 23.—One person is known to have been killed and others are believed to have perished when a tornado swept the city of Portage La Prairie, west of here, early today, wrecking many buildings and doing other property damage.

THE WEATHER

Fair and continued warm tonight and Saturday. Cooler by Saturday night.
Highest temperature yesterday, 85; lowest last night, 70.
Wind velocity at 7 a. m., 5 miles per hour.
Precipitation, none.
12 m. 7 p.m. 7 a.m. yesterday, yesterday, today.
Dry bulb temp. 78 81 72
Wet bulb temp. 63 65 63
Relative humid. 43 42 48
River stage at 7 a. m., 4.8, a fall of 1 last 24 hours.
Sunset today 7:42 p. m.; sunrise tomorrow 4:28 a. m.
River Forecast.
The Mississippi river from below Dubuque to Muscatine will change but little during the next two days.
ANDREW HAMRICK,
Meteorologist.

NUMBER OF VICTIMS IS UNCERTAIN

May Reach 45; Miners Boast Openly of Many Killings.

Herrin, Ill., June 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—"Bloody" Williamson, so-called because of many acts of violence in the county in recent times, most of them accompanied by numerous fatalities, today was preparing for what official action is expected in connection with the massacre at the Lester strip mine yesterday when between 27 and 45 persons were slain after striking union miners had stormed the sixty or more strike-breakers operating the mine.

Official investigation of the mine which killed from 27 to 45, near here began today in response to insistent demands from Governor Len Small for action by local authorities, when Coroner McGowan announced that an inquest would be held immediately and State Attorney Delouis L. Duty stated that a special grand jury would be convened following the inquest to investigate the massacre.

Score in Morgues. So far as the number of dead was concerned, there still was little but speculation. A score were in morgues; newspapermen previously had counted 26 bodies in the woods and roads, one man died in a hospital; Frank Farrington, state president of the miners, announced that his official reports showed 44 killed; citizens still brought in reports of bodies lying around the country; but, through all of it there was no way of fixing a definite number.

Sixteen in Hospital. In the wounded list there were 16 in the Herrin hospital, three reported in the Carbondale hospital, and a number of others—union striking miners—believed to be lying in their homes. There was little question that the actual number of dead will never be known. A dozen or so were believed to be at the bottom of a pond. No one seemed inclined to drag the pond. No searching parties have been organized to seek bodies in the woods.

All reports, whether from miners or from strike-breakers or mine operators agree that the killings were a massacre—that the victims were shot down after they had surrendered themselves and their arms to the attacking forces.

"Act of Judgment." Many persons in the county uphold the slaughter as a rightful act of judgment. Citizens gathering on street corners last night and today laughed and joked over the affair.

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COAL STRIKE IS CABINET TOPIC

Secretary Davis Has Long Conference With President Harding; Statement Expected.

Washington, June 23.—The coal strike situation, and particularly the mine disorders in southern Illinois, was understood largely to have occupied the attention of the cabinet at today's meeting. Secretary of Labor Davis conferred with President Harding for some time after the meeting and it was indicated that the department of labor would have a settlement to make soon with regard to the mine disorders.

ARMY BILL TO BE AMENDED?

McKenzie Would Make Wilson Dam Appropriation Available in October.

Washington, June 23.—Representative McKenzie of Illinois, acting chairman of the military committee, announced today that he would offer an amendment to the army bill, when it comes up for final action in the house, by which the \$7,500,000 appropriation for expenditure on the Wilson dam at Muscle Shoals, Ala., would be made available in October rather than on July 1, beginning the next financial year as the senate proposed.

How to Dispose of Husbands If Wives Get Political Jobs Is Question Faced by Women

BY MARJORIE TAYLOR. Consolidated Press Correspondent. (Copyright, 1922, by The Argus.) Washington, D. C., June 23.—The success of Mrs. Peter Olesen in the Democratic senatorial primaries in Minnesota, has brought acutely to the front the question of what married women in politics will do with their husbands when they leave home to take up the duties of office at state or national capital. The headquarters of the various women's organizations in this city are in something of a quandary. Already they have been notified by several women prominent in politics that their activities cannot extend to running for offices which would take them from home.

Members of the national women's party declared today that it was possible in many states for a man legally to prevent his wife from running for political office if she desired required her absence from home. In these states, the choice of domicile and should a wife refuse to comply with his wishes in this respect, the law regards her action as desertion and he may sue for divorce.

Mrs. Olesen seems fortunate in that her husband has agreed to come to Washington as her secretary in the event that she should prove the first woman ever elected to the United States senate. It is significant, furthermore, that the two women who have been members of the national house of representatives both have been spinsters. They had no husband problem to deal with.

Politically ambitious women who are tied to their homes and husbands solve the case with "which" Mrs. Olesen solved her problem, but say not many husbands are as amiable as Mr. Peter Olesen.

"There are plenty of flapping women, leaders in the woman movement, who are handicapped in obtaining the highest political honors because of their husbands," said Miss Anne Webster, a committee chairman of the League of Women Voters.

One Husband Interferes. At the league headquarters the

STATE CASE IS FAILURE, VIEW OF SMALL SIDE

Court Is Crowded For First Time in Weeks.

Waukegan, Ill., June 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—The last plea for the acquittal of Governor Len Small was made this afternoon by Charles C. LeFors, of Decatur, chief of counsel for the defense.

Three hundred spectators crowded into the little court room to hear the Decatur attorney and they overflowed into the halls.

Waukegan, Ill., June 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—If anybody is guilty under the theory of the state's case against Governor Len Small, it is the packers, Werner W. Schroeder told the jury today.

For the first time since the trial started nine weeks ago, the court room was crowded and spectators overflowed into the hall. Chester Cleveland, and several other assistants from the Chicago corporation's counsel office, Colonel Perry Coffin, Gottard Dahlberg, speaker of the house; Ben Newmark, and 20 to 30 state officials and employees were scattered through the room.

Small's Family Present. At the defense table Governor Small was joined by Mrs. Small, Miss Sue Small, his sister, and Mrs. Jack Ingles, his daughter. Within the railing were Colonel C. W. Miller, director of public works; W. B. Stratton of Waukegan, state fish and game commissioner; Judge Chauncey Jenkins, director of public welfare; Leslie Small, son of the governor; Colonel Jack Ingles and other department heads and friends of the family.

Mr. Schroeder told the jurors that the prosecution had deliberately placed an evil construction upon facts which, considered in what the defense regards as the proper light, are perfectly innocent. The state, he said, has failed to make a case. He cited the prosecution's evidence regarding several transactions and told the jurors there was nothing criminal shown them.

Mr. Schroeder completed his argument at 11:45 a. m. and court adjourned until 1 o'clock.

VAN FLEET GETS O. K. IN SENATE

Washington, June 23.—The nomination of Vernon W. Van Fleet of Indiana to be a member of the federal trade commission, was reported favorably today by the senate interstate commerce committee.

PRESIDENT IS SURE TO VETO BONUS

Harding Sticks to Demand for Sales Tax First.

BY DAVID LAWRENCE. (Copyright, 1922, by The Argus.) Washington, D. C., June 23.—President Harding's assertion of leadership during the past week in persuading the senate not to sidetrack the tariff bill for the bonus has revived the hopes of opponents of the bonus that Mr. Harding's more powerful effect on senatorial opinion than was at first anticipated.

There are those on Capitol Hill who mistakenly believe Mr. Harding will sign the bonus bill. Senator James Watson of Indiana so predicted in a public speech which has never been specifically contradicted and members of congress are assuming that the Indiana leader wouldn't have made his statement without some assurance.

Investigation shows that if the bill were to come to the president today Mr. Watson would be proved a bad prophet. For the president is determined to veto the bonus bill. This correspondent has been assured so positively on this point that all doubts may be dismissed. Mr. Harding stands squarely on the position he took when the bill was up in the house. He favors postponement of the bonus if a sales tax is not enacted. The measure pending in the senate doesn't provide a sales tax and is practically the same as the measure which passed the house.

Not Against Principle. Mr. Harding wants it understood that he is not opposed to the bonus in principle. He favors compensation to the soldiers and sailors who fought in the war because of the government's failure to pay them. He is not in shape for an expenditure on the bonus.

Representatives of the ex-service men know, however, that if they lose their fight now they will have to wait a year or two to revive the issue successfully for a deficit of \$340,000,000, which may grow to a half billion dollars, stares the government in the face for the fiscal year beginning on the first of next month and ending June 30, 1923.

Flashed in Bad Mix. Government finances are such a complicated matter that they permit of wide differences of opinion and interpretation. Those members of the senate who are fighting in favor of an immediate bonus take a different view of the condition of the treasury than do the officials of the treasury. The latter, together with the president, believe all effort should be concentrated on funding the public debt while the funding trustees insist that the funding must be on a basis that the bonus could be financed with little harm to the treasury's funding plans.

The dispute is largely academic, as it involves many psychological factors in the marketing of investment securities. Nobody will be able to tell accurately how much money an effect the passage of a bonus bill would have on the funding of the public debt or on the government's ability to sell short time securities. But the men on Capitol Hill who favor the bonus insist that their opinion is a good as anybody else's and they are determined to go ahead.

Battle of Words. The question finally will resolve itself into a battle of words between the president and the sponsors of the bonus largely on the question of how the money is to be raised, and while the advocates of a bonus feel that today they have enough votes to pass the bonus over Mr. Harding's veto they are not of course able to calculate the psychological effect of positive statements from Mr. Harding's veto message. For the moment Mr. Harding has had his way in keeping the bonus from being given right of way in the senate. It was thought the bonus forces were strong enough to compel immediate action. They have a majority which is sufficient to pass the bill when it does come up for vote but Mr. Harding's tactics have raised considerable doubt as to the necessary two-thirds to pass the measure over a presidential veto. There are many changes possible between now and the time of the veto message, but the setback which the advocates of the bonus got has strengthened Mr. Harding's determination to fight the passage of the measure in its present form.

ROSS HEADS KIWANIS

Toronto, June 23.—George H. Ross, Toronto, commissioner of finance, was elected international president of the Kiwanis clubs.



WU TING FANG.

Shanghai, China, June 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—Wu Ting Fang, former minister to Washington, more recently foreign minister for Sun Yat Sen in the disrupted Republican government at Canton, died at Canton this morning, according to Reuters' dispatch. Wu, an outstanding leader in the politics and jurisprudence of China for many years, remained at last reports, loyal to Sun Yat Sen, and was believed to have fled Canton with the deposed South China president. The Reuters dispatch gave no details.

PROBE PLOT TO DYNAMITE JAIL AT JOLIET, ILL.

Officers Seek Four Men Who Planned Deed.

Chicago, June 23.—A plot to blow up the Will county jail, Joliet, Ill., was under investigation today by Chicago and Joliet authorities. Chief of Detectives Michael Hughes went to Joliet today on a search for four men alleged to have planned to dynamite the jail in an effort to free three prisoners. According to information here, three Chicago men, alleged by the police to be safe-blowers, were arrested by the Will county sheriff several days ago. The prisoners were said to be Perry Stead, James Head and John O'Neil.

CONVICT 'PUG' AS MURDERER

"Sailor" Friedman and "Red" Cohen Get 14 Years in Pen in Chicago Court.

Chicago, June 23.—William ("Sailor") Friedman, pugilist, and William ("Red") Cohen, taxicab driver, were convicted of murder and sentenced to 14 years each in the penitentiary this morning before Judge John R. Caverly. David Edelman, brother-in-law of Judge Joseph Schulman, and Max Miller, brother of Hersch Miller, were found not guilty.

TCHITCHERIN REPORTED ILL

Berlin Dispatch Says Soviet Foreign Minister's Condition Is Rather Serious.

London, June 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—A Central News dispatch from Berlin reports that Foreign Minister Tchitcherin, of soviet Russia, has been taken ill. His condition, the message says, is regarded as rather serious.

TWO ARE KILLED BY NITRO BLAST

Oil Well Shooters Are Blown to Atoms and Three Houses Wrecked by Explosion.

East Liverpool, Ohio, June 23.—Two men believed to be oil well shooters, were blown to atoms and three houses in the outskirts of Weilsville were wrecked early today when nitroglycerine, being transported by automobile, exploded.

STAGE SET FOR GREAT EXHIBITION

11-Day Display Shows Industry of the Whole Community.

All is set for the opening tomorrow morning of the Trans-Mississippi Exposition and Pageant of Progress in Douglas park. Tomorrow will be "Children's day" and the "kiddies" will be swarming to see the thousand and one amusement features provided for their especial benefit.

Art Adair, the famous clown, and his mirth provoking band will entertain them, and there will be bears and ponies and monkeys and trick dogs and mules and merry-go-rounds and real live Indians and seaplanes and a ferris wheel, and boys and girls can ride the "whip" and have no end of a good time.

Adair's band is a show by itself, but in addition to all that has been enumerated 20 splendid free acts will be staged each afternoon and evening, and this program which is given to the people without a penny extra will be continued during every afternoon and evening of the exposition period. The free amusement features are scheduled to begin at 2 o'clock every afternoon and at 8 o'clock every evening.

The Royal Scotch Highlanders' band of 30 pieces will play often. The aggregation is known from coast to coast in America and overseas.

Among the 20 free acts will be: The Riding Duttons, equestrians; Jordan Sisters, America's leading high wire artists; the Diving Ringers, sensational high divers who will plunge 120 feet into a five-foot tank; Seven Tumbling Demons, peerless acrobats; the Flying Valentines, aerial artists; the Venus of the Circus, the Venus of the Circus, and the cycling He-men, direct from the New York Hippodrome.

Then Come— They are only the first 10 of the free acts, and the next are: the Dallame troupe, living models in reproduction of the world's masterpieces of sculpture; the Butterfly Girls, a novel acrobatic and musical melange; Bob the Broiler, Scotland's premier comedy tenor; the famous American Clown band; Madame Berzac, who stages a society circus from the London Hippodrome; the Three Lemnirs, artists of the trapeze; Lester Bell and Griffin, acrobats who do thrilling feats; LaSalle and Vilay, equilibrists; the Fisher Sisters, who are dainty and graceful in iron jaw.

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PROMOTIONS IN ARMY STOPPED

Senate Military Committee Takes Action on Provisions in Appropriation Bill.

Washington, June 23.—Suspension or promotion of all army officers below the grade of colonel, effective at once, was understood to have been decided upon by the senate military committee today. The action was taken largely as a result, it was said, of provisions included in the annual army appropriation bill, which places a six-months' bar against promotions after July 1.

LESTER 'CAN'T' ACCOUNT FOR MINE MASSACRE

Chicago, June 23.—W. J. Lester, president of the Southern Illinois Coal company, owners of the Herrin (Ill.) mine, where the massacre of non-union workmen took place yesterday, declared here today he could not account for the outbreak at the mine and that his chief concern now was "to care for the families of the victims."

Mr. Lester said he started for Herrin yesterday, but was postponed to too late for him to do anything and returned to his hotel here. On his return he found his wife in a nervous collapse, and he himself today appeared visibly shaken by the news of the disorder.